Contemporary Life: Vacation Time

Why travel? What is an ideal vacation?

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|  | **I can:** | **Yes** | **With help** | **Not yet** |
|  | talk about the reasons for taking a vacation. |  |  |  |
|  | talk about where I and others want to go and ask for and give reasons. |  |  |  |
|  | share details on future vacations - where, with whom, when, etc. |  |  |  |
|  | share details on past vacations - where, with whom, when, etc. |  |  |  |
|  | state how I felt about a vacation. |  |  |  |
|  | make comparisons to how people spend vacation time in other cultures. |  |  |  |
|  | make, accept and refuse suggestions for a day of vacation. |  |  |  |
|  | talk about what I and others need to purchase for the trip and what we need to pack. |  |  |  |
|  | identify a destination and explain where it is located. |  |  |  |
|  | share vacation information about a specific location - celebration, tourist attraction, popular food, etc. |  |  |  |

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| **1. I can talk about the reasons for taking a vacation.** | |
|  | Why do people travel? |
|  | People travel… |
|  | ...to take a break. |
|  | ...to relax. |
|  | ...to visit other places. |
|  | ...to learn new things. |
|  | ...to meet new people. |
|  | …to escape. |
|  | Why do you want to travel? |
|  | I want to travel because... |
|  | Are you a tourist or a traveler? |
|  | I am a…because… |
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| Personal vocabulary |  |
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| **2. I can talk about where I and others want to go and ask for and give reasons.** | |
|  | Where do you want to go on vacation? |
|  | I want to go... |
|  | …to the beach. |
|  | …to the mountains. |
|  | …to the countryside. |
|  | …to the forest. |
|  | ...to a city. |
|  | Why? |
|  | ..because I like it. |
|  | ...because it’s fun. |
|  | ...because I want to [swim]. |
| Personal vocabulary |  |
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| **3. I can share details on future vacations - where, with whom, when, etc.** | |
|  | Where are you going? |
|  | I am going to… |
|  | I am staying home/here.. |
|  | When are you going on vacation? |
|  | When are you going there? |
|  | ...in June |
|  | ...in July |
|  | ...in August |
|  | For how long? |
|  | 5 days |
|  | 2 weeks |
|  | the whole month |
|  | Who are you going with? |
|  | I’m going with my grandparents. |
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| **4. I can share details on past vacations - where, with whom, when, etc.** | |
|  | Where did you go? |
|  | I went… |
|  | …to the ruins. |
|  | …to the cathedral. |
|  | …to the national park. |
|  | … to the town center/plaza. |
|  | …to a small town. |
|  | ...to a museum. |
|  | What did you do? |
|  | I visited… |
|  | I saw… |
|  | I ate… |
|  | I swam… |
|  | I volunteered in… |
|  | **When did you go?** |
|  | **With whom did you go?** |
| Personal vocabulary |  |
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| **5. I can state how I felt about a vacation.** | |
|  | How was it? |
|  | It was… |
|  | really great. |
|  | great. |
|  | impressive. |
|  | tremendous. |
|  | horrible. |
|  | awful. |
|  | frightening/scary. |
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|  | Great! |
|  | Fun! |
|  | Fantastic! |
|  | What a shame! / That’s a shame! |
|  | What good / bad luck! |
|  | That stinks! |
|  | That’s crazy! |
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| **6. I can compare how people spend vacation time in other cultures.** | |
|  | Americans prefer…. |
|  | The (French) prefer…. |
|  | The most popular destination in (country) is…. |
|  | Beaches are more popular than mountains. |
|  | The (Spanish) like to… |
|  | Americans like to… |
|  | How many weeks of vacation do the (Germans) have? |
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| **7. I can make, accept and refuse suggestions for a day of vacation.** | |
|  | What do you want to do? |
|  | I don’t know. |
|  | It might be fun to… |
|  | Do you want to go? |
|  | Sure, sounds fun. |
|  | What time do you want to go? |
|  | Not really. |
|  | Sounds boring. |
|  | If it’s nice, let’s go…. |
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| **8. I can talk about what I and others need to purchase for the trip and what we need to pack.** | |
|  | What do you need to take? |
|  | I need… |
|  | We need… |
|  | a passport. |
|  | a visa. |
|  | a charger. |
|  | a swimsuit. |
|  | sunglasses. |
|  | shorts. |
|  | sandals. |
|  | sunscreen. |
|  | a coat. |
|  | hiking boots. |
|  | comfortable shoes. |
|  | socks. |
|  | pants. |
|  | a jacket. |
|  | a hat. |
|  | I don’t have a… |
|  | I need to buy…. |
| Personal vocabulary |  |
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| **9. I can Identify a destination and explain where it is located.** | |
|  | Where it that? |
|  | It’s in…. |
|  | It’s just north of… |
|  | south, west, east |
|  | Is it close to…? |
|  | No, it’s closer to… |
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| **10. I can share vacation information about a specific location (celebration, tourist attraction, popular food, etc.) in the target culture or in St. Louis.** | |
|  | If you go to (St. Louis)…. |
|  | you have to…. |
|  | ...visit… |
|  | ...see… |
|  | ...experience… |
|  | ...eat… |
|  | If you like (art), go to the… |
|  | If you are interested in… |
|  | If you love… |
|  | If you prefer… |
|  | history… |
|  | archaeology… |
|  | nature… |
|  | sports… |
|  | adventures… |
|  | Try to go to… |
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